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Book Notices.

The Book of Proverbs.

The Book of Proverbs. [The Expositor's Bible.] By R. F. Horton, M. A. New York: A. C. Armstrong and Son. Pp. 418. Price \$1.50.

The versatile author of this interesting Exposition is best known to Bible students as having written an earnest book in behalf of broader views of the Bible and Biblical Inspiration, entitled "Inspiration and the Bible." Judging from that work one would be inclined to think that this portion of Scripture would not offer a particularly happy field for his peculiar powers, which seem to be those of philosophical criticism and imaginative insight rather than of practical and sober every day life. But herein a happy disappointment awaits the reader. The very ideal element in the writer enables him to clothe with a kind of attractive grace these common sense teachings without permitting any of the vigor and plainness of his original to vanish away in the process. Both beauty of expression and earnestness of practical purpose, therefore, characterize these pages. There is at the same time no lack of critical scholarship and wide reading. The application of these old time lessons to the problems of present day life is made with unsparing severity as well as with evangelical warmth. Under this treatment the book becomes a kind of manual of life, the Book of Proverbs brought down to date and illuminated by the spirit of a Christian. It is a noble and faithful piece of exposition which will advance Mr. Horton's reputation as a religious teacher and make known to many who have up to this time overlooked it, the present religious value of the Book of Proverbs.

Supernatural Revelation.

Supernatural Revelation: An Essay concerning the Basis of the Christian Faith. By C. M. Mead, Ph. D., D. D. New York: A. D. F. Randolph and Co. Pp. xv., 469.

These chapters were originally lectures delivered at Princeton Theological Seminary, now expanded to twice the original size and furnished with notes etc. They are the work of an open-minded, careful, candid, conservative Christian scholar. They are very comprehensive and very timely, constituting the best manual of Christian Evidences, in the best sense, that has appeared up to date. The titles of the Chapters are as follows: (1) Origin of the theistic belief, (2) Grounds of the theistic belief, (3) The question of a primeval revelation, (4) The Christian revelation, general features, miracles defined, (5) and (6) The evidential value of miracles, (7) Proof of the Christian miracles, (8) The relation of Christianity to Judaism, (9) The record of revelation, Inspiration, (10) The authority of the Scriptures, (11) The condition and limits of biblical criticism. An appendix consisting of seven important "Excursus" follows, and full indices complete the book.

The most interesting of these chapters are the third, which favors the theory of a primeval revelation; the sixth, where the conclusion is reached that miracles have an indispensable evidential worth, but not independent of the evidence derived from the personal character and doctrine of the miracle-